

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application

1 - 12 (Canceled)

13. (New) A crockery basket comprising:  
a framework for retaining items to be washed;  
at least one rack for engaging items to be washed to support the retention of such items relative to the framework; and  
a plurality of holding elements for holding the at least one rack at different height positions on the crockery basket.
14. (New) The crockery basket according to claim 13, wherein at least one group of the holding elements are configured as a first device in which the one group of holding elements are arranged at predetermined positions relative to one another and the device is mountable on the crockery basket, by which means the at least one rack can be arranged at different height positions.
15. (New) The crockery basket according to claim 14, wherein the first device formed by at least one group of the holding elements is detachably connectable to the crockery basket.
16. (New) The crockery basket according to claim 14, wherein the first device formed by at least one group of the holding elements is configured as a fixing ladder which has a number of holding elements arranged substantially above one another at different height positions.

17. (New) The crockery basket according to claim 14 and further comprising a second group of the holding elements configured as a second device in which the second group of holding elements are arranged at predetermined positions relative to one another and the second device is mountable on the crockery basket, by which means the at least one rack can be arranged at different height positions, and the first device and the second device are configured as two fixing ladders for supporting the at least one rack at different height positions.
18. (New) The crockery basket according to claim 14, wherein the framework of the crockery basket includes a plurality of substantially horizontal meshes arranged one above the other, on which at least one rack can be disposed at different height positions.
19. (New) The crockery basket according to claim 18, wherein the at least one rack has a fixing means that can be secured in a selected one of a detachable manner and a non-detachable manner on the meshes of the framework of the crockery basket at different height positions.
20. (New) The crockery basket according to claim 19, wherein at least one of the fixing means on the rack and the holding elements are configured as clamping connections that can be secured in a selected one of a detachable manner and a non-detachable manner on the framework of the crockery basket.
21. (New) The crockery basket according to claim 14, wherein the at least one rack has a fixing means that can be secured in a selected one of a detachable manner and a non-detachable manner on the framework of the crockery basket at different height positions and at least one of the first device formed by at least one group of the holding elements and the fixing means is made of plastic.

22. (New) The crockery basket according to claim 13, wherein the at least one rack is rotatably mounted in the respective holding elements with which it is engaged such that the rack can be pivoted between a substantially horizontal position and a substantially vertical position.
23. (New) The crockery basket according to claim 13, wherein the at least one rack has at least one mechanical stop with which the rack is supported on the crockery basket to hold the rack in a substantially horizontal position.
24. (New) The crockery basket according to claim 14, wherein the at least one rack has a fixing means that can be secured in a selected one of a detachable manner and a non-detachable manner on the framework of the crockery basket at different height positions and at least one of the first device formed by at least one group of the holding elements and the fixing means has at least one mechanical stop for assisting the support of the rack in a substantially horizontal position.